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## **Kindergarten Reassignment Policy**

To: Joel D. Boyd, Ed.D, Superintendent

From: Latifah Phillips, Chief Equity and Engagement Officer

Date: February 26, 2021

Re: Recommendation for Kindergarten Reassignment Policy

Attached please find the recommended Kindergarten Reassignment Policy which delineates the process for returning current Kindergarten students back to their original assignments that were made using the guidelines of the 2020-21 school assignment policy which was adopted in January 2020 and enacted until the passage of the temporary policy in July 2020.

This policy prioritizes the reassignment of students through the 2020 spring lottery process, the reassignment of students impacted by the return of lottery students to their original school placement, the assignment of McKinney-Vento students during the 2020-21 school year, and the reassignment of kindergarten students who were placed out of zone due to lack of available kindergarten seats at a school within their zone of residence.

The priorities and options for the 2021-22 school assignment policy - for new students to the district in the upcoming year – are continuing to be analyzed and discussed at Equity Subcommittee meetings.